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BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

DOCKET NO. E-100, SUB 137)
In the Matter of Investigation of Integrated Resource Planning in North Carolina – 2012)))) MOTION
DOCKET NO. E-100, SUB 139	
In the Matter of 2013 REPS Compliance Plans and 2012 Compliance Reports)))

NOW COMES THE PUBLIC STAFF – North Carolina Utilities Commission, by and through its Executive Director, Christopher J. Ayers, and moves that the Commission designate Tuesday, February 4, 2014, as the deadline for the Public Staff and other intervenors to file comments on the 2013 Integrated Resource Plans (IRPs) and 2013 Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard (REPS) Compliance Plans of the State's electric power suppliers. In support of this motion the Public Staff respectfully shows the Commission:

1. Commission Rule R8-67(b)(3) provides in relevant part: "Any electric power supplier subject to Rule R8-60 shall file its REPS [Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard] compliance plan as part of its integrated resource plan filing, and the REPS compliance plan will be reviewed

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and approved pursuant to Rule R8-60." Rule R8-60(j) provides that "[w]ithin 150 days after the filing of each utility's biennial report and within 60 days after the filing of each utility's annual report of amendments or revisions¹ the Public Staff or any other intervenor may file . . . comments on the reports filed by the utilities"

- 2. Dominion North Carolina Power filed its IRP, including its REPS Compliance Plan, on August 31, 2013. Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC, and Duke Energy Progress, Inc., have been granted an extension to file their IRPs, including their REPS Compliance Plans, by October 15, 2013. Thus, the deadlines for filing intervenor comments on the 2013 IRPs fall from October 31, 2013, through December 14, 2013.²
- 3. EMCs and municipalities filed their REPS compliance reports and plans between August 19 and September 3, 2013.
- 4. The Public Staff has traditionally filed consolidated comments on all filed IRPs and REPS compliance plans in a single filing, and intends to follow this practice for the 2013 IRPs and REPS compliance plans, as well.
- 5. Because of the complexity of the issues raised by the IRPs and REPS compliance plans and the press of other business, the Public Staff

¹ The 2013 IRPs are annual reports, as distinguished from the biennial reports that are filed in alternate years.

² The Public Staff notes that during the 2013 Session, the General Assembly enacted S.L. 2013-187 (House Bill 223), which exempted the electric membership cooperatives (EMCs) from the requirements of G.S. 62-110.1(c) and G.S. 62-42, effective July 1, 2013. As a result, EMCs are no longer subject to the requirements of Rule R8-60 and are no longer required to submit IRPs to the Commission for review. However, they remain responsible for filing or causing to be filed REPS compliance reports and plans.

respectfully requests that the Commission issue an order setting the date by which the Public Staff and other intervenors may file initial comments on the 2013 IRPs and REPS compliance plans as February 4, 2014.

WHEREFORE, the Public Staff prays:

1. For an order setting the date by which the Public Staff and other intervenors may file initial comments on the IRPs and REPS compliance plans as Tuesday, February 4, 2014;

2. For such other and further relief as the Commission may deem just and proper.

Respectfully submitted this the 4th day of October, 2013.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify I have this day served a copy of the foregoing MOTION on each of the parties of record in this proceeding or their attorneys of record in accordance with Commission Rule R1-39 by United States Mail, first class or better; by hand delivery; or by means of facsimile or electronic delivery upon agreement of the receiving party.

This the 4th day of October, 2013.

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